

## Abstract of the Disclosure

The preferred embodiments described herein provide a method and system for configuring a network element in a computer network. In one preferred embodiment, an instruction to configure a network element in a computer network is received. The instruction is converted into a form understood by the network element, and the converted instruction is sent to the network element. Other preferred embodiments are provided herein, and any or all of the preferred embodiments described herein can be used alone or in combination with one another.